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JUNE 18, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY
FROM: THE SITUATION ROOM
SUBJECT: MORNING NEWS SUMMARY

THE WASHINGTON POST

CARROLL KILPATRICK REPORTS THE ACCOUNTS OF THE PRESIDENT'S STOP IN ISRAEL AND HIS PROMISE TO NEGOTIATE WITH ISRAEL AN AGREEMENT TO SUPPLY THE SAME KIND OF NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY HE PROMISED EGYPT. KILPATRICK MENTIONS YOUR STATEMENT, MADE AT YOUR PRESS CONFERENCE, ABOUT THE ARAB STATES NOW TALKING ABOUT COEXISTENCE WITH ISRAEL. HE ALSO NOTES YOUR ASSURANCES THAT AMERICAN OFFICIALS ARE CONFIDENT THAT THE NUCLEAR REACTORS WILL HAVE ADEQUATE SAFEGUARDS.

(A-1)

KING HUSSEIN WELCOMED THE PRESIDENT TO JORDAN, SAYING THE PRESIDENT'S MIDDLE EAST JOURNEY LAUNCHES A NEW ERA OF GOODWILL BETWEEN THE U.S. AND THE ARAB WORLD, BUT HE WARNED THAT PEACE IS NOT IN SIGHT UNTIL ARAB DEMANDS ON ISRAEL ARE MET. (A-1)

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MICHAEL GETLER COVERS SECRETARY SCHLESINGER'S NEWS CONFERENCE YESTERDAY AND HEADLINES THAT SCHLESINGER FORESEES A POSSIBLE MIRV CURB. GETLER POINTS OUT THAT SCHLESINGER WAS NOT IN AGREEMENT WITH NITZE'S STATEMENT, BUT HE SAID SUCH CONCLUSIONS WERE PREMATURE AND IT REMAINED TO BE SEEN WHAT, IF ANYTHING, COMES OUT OF THE UPCOMING SUMMIT TALKS IN RUSSIA. (A-2)

AVERELL HARRIMAN SAID THE PRESIDENT "DESERVES SUPPORT" FOR SEEKING NEW NUCLEAR ARMS ACCORDS IN MOSCOW WITHOUT FEAR THAT HE WILL BE LURED INTO "A SELLOUT." HARRIMAN SAID BREZHNEV TOLD HIM HE "BELIEVED IMPORTANT STEPS COULD BE TAKEN" WHEN THE TWO LEADERS MEET. (A-2)

IN AN OPEN LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT, SOVIET JEWISH LEADERS SAID THE PRESIDENT HAD DASHED THEIR HOPES HE WOULD HELP THEM EMIGRATE TO ISRAEL AND URGED HIM NOT TO MAKE THEIR SITUATION WORSE WHEN HE COMES TO MOSCOW LATER THIS MONTH. THE LETTER SAID THE JEWS WERE "DEEPLY TROUBLED" BY THE PRESIDENT'S ANNAPOLIS SPEECH, WHEN HE TERMED THE EMIGRATION QUESTION AN INTERNAL SOVIET AFFAIR IN WHICH THE U.S. COULD NOT INTERVENE. (A-13)

AN EDITORIAL BY GEORGE F. WILLS SAYS CONGRESSMEN ARE STUMBLING OVER ONE ANOTHER IN A RUSH TO ENDORSE A RESOLUTION DECLARING THAT YOUR INTEGRITY AND VERACITY ARE ABOVE REPROACH. HE SAYS THIS ACTION IS MORE THAN A PROPER RESPECT FOR YOUR EXEMPLARY PATRIOTISM AND MOMENTOUS ACHIEVEMENTS. IT ALSO INVOLVES PALPABLE PANIC IN CONGRESS. WILLS SAYS CONGRESS SHOULD FOLLOW THE EVIDENCE ABOUT YOUR VERACITY, BUT INSTEAD THEY WOULD RATHER DECLARE YOU "ABOVE REPROACH" BEFORE GETTING BOGGED DOWN IN EVIDENCE. THE ISSUE IS NOT WHETHER THE WIRETAPPING WAS LEGAL OR THAT MUCH OF THE INFORMATION WAS COMING FROM LEAKS. THE ISSUE, WILLS DECLARES, IS: "WAS MR. KISSINGER SO ASHAMED OF HIS ROLE IN THE WIRETAPPING THAT HE DID FAIL AND REFUSE TO ANSWER ACCURATELY AND FULLY" QUESTIONS ASKED IN THE SENATE CONFIRMATION HEARINGS? WILLS CONCLUDES THAT THESE WORDS WERE QUOTED FROM THE CHARGE TO WHICH KLEINDIENST PLEADED GUILTY. (A-15)

JOSEPH KRAFT ASSERTS THAT THE WIRETAPS HAD ALMOST NO CONNECTION WITH NATIONAL SECURITY. HE SAYS THE EVIDENCE SHOWS THAT THE TAPS WERE A PARTICULARLY DIRTY BUSINESS DONE FOR REASONS OF WHITE HOUSE INTRIGUE. KRAFT POINTS OUT SOME OF THE INCIDENTS THAT DID NOT INVOLVE NATIONAL SECURITY: THE TAPPING OF SEARS AND SAFIRE; THE TAPPING OF LAKE, HALPERIN, AND DAVIDSON AFTER LEAVING THE WHITE HOUSE STAFF; TAPPING OF SONNENFELDT, HALPERIN, AND DAVIDSON BECAUSE OF LEAKS ON THE CAMBODIAN BOMBING, BUT WHO HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF THE BOMBING; AND THE TAPPING OF KRAFT HIMSELF AND JOHN REAGAN, THE NEW YORK TIMES

THE ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION SAID CHINA CONDUCTED A RELATIVELY LARGE NUCLEAR TEST YESTERDAY. SECRETARY SCHLESINGER EXPRESSED NO PARTICULAR CONCERN OVER THE TEST. HE SAID IT "SIMPLY REFLECTS

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THE SLOW-PACED CHINESE PROGRAM" WHICH, HE SAID, HAS BEEN DELIBERATE BUT "MODERATELY SUCCESSFUL." (A-1)

IZVESTIA CHARGED THAT SOME AMERICAN CONGRESSMEN WERE TRYING TO FORCE THE SOVIET UNION TO SUBMIT TO PRESSURES "UNIMAGINABLE" EVEN IN THE COLD WAR ERA THROUGH TRADE RESTRICTIONS ON AMERICAN TRADE LEGISLATION. (A-3)

A REPORT FROM JERUSALEM SAYS A WEEK AFTER YOUR THREAT TO RESIGN, YOU APPEARED BACK IN YOUR CUSTOMARY GOOD HUMOR DURING YOUR NEWS CONFERENCE YESTERDAY.

THE BALTIMORE SUN

SECRETARY OF DEFENSE SCHLESINGER SAID THAT THERE IS A "POSSIBILITY" THAT THE SOVIET-AMERICAN SUMMIT MEETING LATER THIS MONTH WILL PRODUCE AN AGREEMENT LIMITING THE DEPLOYMENT OF NEW MULTIPLE WARHEAD MISSILES. (A-1)

NATO SECRETARY GENERAL LUNS SAID THAT THE WESTERN ALLIANCE AND THE SOVIET-LED WARSAW PACT ARE STILL "FAR APART" IN EFFORTS TO NEGOTIATE MUTUAL CUTS IN THEIR OPPOSING MILITARY FORCES IN CENTRAL EUROPE. (A-2)

THE LEAD EDITORIAL COMMENTS THAT THE SALT II SUMMIT HOLDS LITTLE PROMISE OF IDEAL SOLUTIONS. WE PROBABLY WILL NOT GET A COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN, BUT WE WILL HAVE TO SETTLE FOR A "THRESHOLD" TREATY PERMITTING UNDERGROUND TESTS BELOW A CERTAIN LEVEL OF EXPLOSIVE FORCE. (A-14)

THE SECOND EDITORIAL STATES THAT PRESIDENT NIXON'S PUBLIC LECTURE TO PRIME MINISTER RABIN TO HAVE THE COURAGE TO TAKE RISKS FOR PEACE WAS UNNECESSARY. IF ANY OF MR. NIXON'S HOSTS ON THIS JOURNEY NEEDED SUCH A LECTURE, IT WAS PRESIDENT ASAD. (A-14)

JAMES J. KILPATRICK WRITES THAT YOU ARE THE NEW BEAR IN PRESS BEAR-BAITING. IF THIS BEAR-BAITING HAD ANY PURPOSE, PRESUMABLY IT WAS TO DEMONSTRATE THAT NOBODY -- "NOT EVEN THE POPULAR AND WITTY DR. KISSINGER" -- IS HIGHER OR MIGHTIER THAN THE HIGH AND MIGHTY WASHINGTON PRESS. (A-15)

NICK THIMMESCH WRITES THAT YOU SHOULD BE INVESTIGATED, NOT DEFENDED. YOU HAVE SUCCEEDED THROUGH MANEUVERING AND EMOTIONAL OUTBURST IN POLITICIZING THE QUESTION OF WHETHER YOU LIED UNDER OATH BEFORE THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE LAST SEPTEMBER. THUS, YOUR GENIUS IS DEMONSTRATED AGAIN. (A-15)

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